

# TN CM slams Pradhan for arrogance, tells him to control his tongue

**PTI, CHENNAI:** Coming down heavily on Dharmendra Pradhan for his criticism of the ruling DMK, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on Monday slammed the Union Education Minister for his "arrogance" considering himself a king and asked him to control his tongue.

The CM's remarks came in the wake of the exchange between the DMK MPs and Pradhan in the Lok Sabha over the PM SHRI scheme and fund allocation to the southern state.

Pradhan had criticised the Tamil Nadu government for refusing to implement the National Education Policy (NEP) and doing a "U-turn" on the

issue for "politics." Stalin made it categorical that the Tamil Nadu government did not come forward to implement the Centre's PM SHRI scheme and when that is the case, he said nobody could persuade him further in this regard.

"Just answer if you could release the fund or not, which was collected from us and which is meant for the students of Tamil Nadu," the chief minister said in a social media post responding to the central minister.

Referring to Pradhan's letter to him that outlined Tamil Nadu's rejection of the NEP, 3-language policy and PM SHRI MoU, he said the DMK government functioned by respecting the views of the people, unlike the BJP leaders who were bound by "words from Nagpur." He slammed Pradhan for using a word to target the DMK MPs and said the central minister deceived Tamil Nadu by not releasing funds. "You are insulting the people of Tamil Nadu. Does PM Narendra Modi accept this," he asked.

Pradhan withdrew the word that was objected to by the DMK MPs and Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla directed that it be expunged from the records.

Meanwhile, DMK office-bearers staged protests across the state condemning Pradhan for using an objectionable word and the union minister's effigies were also burnt.

TN School Education Minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi strongly condemned Pradhan's remark and termed it outrageous.

"The Union BJP Government's political interference in education will not be forgiven. Students and teachers will remember this betrayal," Poyyamozhi charged. Further, he alleged that "NEP is not an education policy, but an RSS-driven agenda. Tamil Nadu rejects it outright." Earlier in the day, Lok Sabha proceedings were adjourned for about 30 minutes after DMK members protested over Pradhan's remarks that the Tamil Nadu government was "dishonest" on the issue of implementing the PM Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) scheme.

Replying to a question on the PM SHRI scheme, Pradhan said the DMK-led Tamil Nadu government has changed its stand on implementing the centrally-sponsored scheme which envisaged strengthening the schools managed by central, state or local

## Assam mulls India's first AI lab for cyber surveillance

**PTI, GUWAHATI:** The Assam government on Monday suggested the state police force to set up India's first-ever artificial intelligence-based laboratory for cyber surveillance, mainly to tackle the menace of deepfake.

Presenting the annual budget, Finance Minister Ajanta Neog said the state government is dreaming big for a brighter tomorrow.

The initiative will position Assam as a leader in AI-driven law enforcement and cybercrime prevention in the coun-

try, the budget stressed. Neog also said that the state will work with tea industry stakeholders to in-

roduce India's first AI-driven, blockchain-based tea auction system to enhance transparency and efficiency.

**LORD I AM COMING HOME**

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven"*  
— Matthew 5:1-3



BORN: 06/08/1961 DIED: 10/03/2025

**DOMINGO MENDES**  
POREBHATT - VERNA

Son/Son-in-law of Late Roqui Mendes/ Late Uteria, Late Joao Carillo/ Candida Pereira; Husband of Celina Felomena Mendes; Brother/Brother-in-law of Late Bartolemu/ Rosy, Late Antonio/ Maria, Benadi/ Treza, Late Ponciano/ Alizra, Milagrina/ Antonio, Joanita/ Late Francis, Jose/ Bella, Cynthia/ Dominick, Celma/ Late Antonio, Maria/ Glenn, Menino/ Jennifer; Uncle & Niece & Family.

Funeral Cortege will leave his residence on 11th March 2025 at 4:00 pm to Holy Corss Church, Verna for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.

Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation

**FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

**MANUELINHA FERNANDES**  
Karashir-Moll (B), Agonda, Canacona



Wife of late Santana Fernandes, Loving Mother /Mother-in-Law of Saby/Carol, Melba/Santiago, Sister-in-Law of late Floriano/Felicia, Aunt of Mario /Alzira, Jhonny/Selvina, Wilma/Anthony, Festina/Jude, Grandmother of Stanwick, Stanzia/Cleida, Alishnoid/Mylon, Amberley/Janice, Asilya/Ayden, Alison and Jeriel.

Funeral cortege will leave her residence at 3:45 p.m on Tuesday, 11th March 2025 to the St. Anne's Church, Agonda for Eucharist celebrations at 4:00p.m followed by burial at the Church Cemetery.

Relatives, Friends and Neighbours may kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**

**INACINHA VAS**



BORN: 03/03/1966 DIED: 09/03/2025

(3rd Ward, Colva)

Daughter of Jose Vas and Piedade Fernandes beloved wife of Ludiano Rodrigues, loving mother/mother-in-law of Espy/Benny, Gleston/Jenisha, grandmother of Anval and Anvia.

Funeral cortege will leave her residence on 11th March 2025 (TODAY) at 4:00 pm to Our Lady of Mercies Church, Colva, for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.

Relatives, neighbours & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

Rebello Publicity & Funeral Services Margao 9822383992

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**



Born: 1<sup>st</sup> March 1967 Died: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**JOHN ALBINO D'COSTA (JOHNSON)**  
-: Bacho Guirdolim :-

Beloved son of late Francisco D'Costa / late Valeriana Cardozo. Brother of Simon Costa and Mary D'Costa.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence at 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday, 11th March 2025 at St. Francis Xavier Chapel, Guirdolim, for Eucharistic celebration, followed by burial at Nossa Senhora de Belem Church Cemetery, Chandor.

Relatives, Neighbours & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

Confident Advtg. & Funeral Service, Margao 9823022154

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**

**CONSTANCIO CAMILO COSTA**  
Mapa- Panchwadi

Born: 21/07/1933 Died: 09/03/2025

A Golden Heart Stopped Beating....  
Hard Working Hands At Rest....  
God Broke Our Hearts To Prove To Us,  
He Only Takes The Best....

Beloved husband of late Antonia Eutropia Barreto. Cherished father/father-in-law of Rita/Peter, Salvador/Peregrina, Abelo/ Claudia, Mafaldo/Ameliam. Loving Grandfather of Jordan/ Savita, Ostan/Astrid, Hellona/Marc, Joe/Valencia, Javid/Flocy, Joeshella/Denzil, Jayson/Blossom, Claren/Veena, Maryam, Jessifa and Jeslan.

Funeral Cortege will leave his residence on Wednesday, 12th March, at 4.00 pm for the service at St. Francis Xavier Chapel, Mapa.

Relatives & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

## Study says climate change will even make Earth's orbit mess

**AP, WASHINGTON:** Climate change is already causing all sorts of problems on Earth, but soon it will be making a mess in orbit around the planet too, a new study finds.

MIT researchers calculated that as global warming caused by burning of coal, oil, gas continues it may reduce the available space for satellites in low Earth orbit by anywhere from one-third to 82% by the end of the century, depending on how much carbon pollution is spewed. That's because space will become more littered with debris as climate change lessens nature's way of cleaning it up.

Part of the greenhouse effect that warms the air near Earth's surface also cools the upper parts of the atmosphere where space starts and satellites zip around in low orbit. That cooling also makes the upper atmosphere less dense, which reduces the drag on the millions of pieces of human-made debris and satellites.

That drag pulls space junk down to Earth, burning up on the way. But a cooler and less dense upper atmosphere means less space cleaning itself.

**BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**  
11th March

**LUIS TEOFILO FERNANDES**  
Happy First Birthday to you in Heaven



Fondly remembered by:  
Loving Wife, Daughters, Sons in law & Grandson

**FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY**

*"Our hearts are shattered, but the love and joy you brought to our lives will never fade. You were a precious daughter and a sister, and though you are gone, you will always be a part of us, forever cherished."*

**Clarissa Rego**  
01 Oct 1995 - 12 Mar 2024 (Assonora - Modlo Vaddo)

Beloved daughter of Carlos Rego & Ana Maria Rego Loving sister/sister-in-law of Vanessa/Alfred and Valerie/Verry There will be a Eucharistic Celebration offered by Clarissa's sorrowful family on the 12th of March 2025 at St. Clara's Church Assonora at 7:00 a.m. Followed by prayers at the grave.

Relatives, neighbours and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY**

**AUGUSTA FERRÃO**  
Piedade, Divar



There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Augusta Ferrao, on Wednesday 12th March 2025 at 7.00 am at Our Lady of Piety Church, Piedade, Divar followed by prayers at the grave, offered by her loving children & family members.

**1<sup>ST</sup> DEATH ANNIVERSARY**

In loving memory of **Lesly Caiado**



Zuari, Goa-Velha  
Son of Custodio Caiado / late Santana Caiado. Beloved Husband of Marina Camelo. Loving Father of Cheston, Shenessa, Sinead, Clay, Swena. Brother / Brother-in-law of Livio / Desvillia, Lector / Samantha.

Born: 5<sup>th</sup> June 1979 Died: 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Uncle of Starlet, Lenida, and an Irreplaceable part of the **Caiado Bros. Zuari.**

There will be an Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our Beloved Lesly on 12th March 2025. (Tomorrow) at 8.00 am at St Andrew Church, Goa Velha, followed by prayers and blessing at the grave.

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**MONTH'S MIND**  
In loving memory of

**FRANCISCO SERRAO**  
Bondir, SANTA CRUZ



There will be Eucharistic Celebration for his soul on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 07:15 a.m. at St. Cruz Parish Church, followed by prayers and blessing at his grave. Offered by his sorrowful wife Romana Felicidade Da Cunha, Children, Grandson and family.

Relatives, neighbours and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

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**MONTH'S MIND**

In Loving Memory of **NIFA ALFONSO KIRBHAT NUVEM**



There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Nifa on Wednesday 12th March 2025, at 8.30 am at Jesus Maria Jose Church, Nuvem, followed by prayers and blessings at the grave, offered by his sorrowful husband: **Valson Colaco.**

Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation

**MONTH'S MIND**

In Loving Memory of **BARNABE JOAO VINCENTE D'SA**  
(Zoribhatt, Chinchinim)



There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Father on Wednesday 12/03/2025 at Our Lady of Hope Church, Chinchinim at 8.00 a.m. followed by prayers and blessing at the grave. Offered by his sorrowful family.

Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.

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**ONE YEAR IN THE ARMS OF THE LORD**

In loving memory of **AQUILIA RODRIGUES**  
-: Davorlim - Navelim :-



There will be a Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our beloved Aquilia at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 12th March 2025 at St. Joseph Chapel, Davorlim, Navelim, followed by prayers and blessing of the grave at Our Lady of Rosary Church Cemetery, Navelim. Offered by her sorrowful husband: **Alvaro Rodrigues.**

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

Confident Advtg. & Funeral Service, Margao 9823022194

**MONTH'S MIND**

**RUTH COUTINHO**  
(Naikavaddo) Aldona



There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Mum Ruth on Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2025 at 8 a.m at St. Thomas Church, Aldona, followed by the blessings of the grave.

Offered as a tribute of love by her Husband Paul Mathais Vaz, Children Francis/ Karen, Dominic/ Prinsha; Grandsons Nathan & Deegan.

Relatives & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
Forever in our hearts



**VISITATION (VICTOR) PEREIRA.**  
(Ex Abu Dhabi)

There will be a Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our beloved Victor on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 7:00 a.m at Holy Family Church, Alto Porvorim. followed by prayers and blessings at the grave, offered by his sorrowful family.

Relatives & friends accept this as the only intimation.

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**MONTH'S MIND**  
in everlasting memory of

**MARCIA P. L. DE SOUZA**



12 March 1962 - 06 February 2025  
EX-TEACHER OF ST. THOMAS GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL, ALDONA & ST. THERESE'S HIGH SCHOOL, VASCO

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around you and whispered, "Come with Me". With tearful eyes we watched you slowly fade away. Although we loved you dearly, we would not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, your hard-working hands put to rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the beloved soul of Marcia at 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, 12th March 2025 at St. Andrew's Church, Vasco, followed by prayers & blessing at the grave offered by her family

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